Hew from Voyager

Tired of living on Earth? Ancient and Modern

The climactic final volume of the Mars trilogy (following Red Mars and Green Mars). Early in the 23rd Century, Mars has been terraformed and is politically independent. Meanwhile, on Earth, terminal overpopulation, reduced resources and bitter nationalism causes many Terrans to view Mars as a potential escape. Mars cannot become dynamically utopian unless Earth does as well, so on Mars, a campaign is begun which will aid Earth through this difficult time in its history.

Kim Stanley Robinson will be appearing at Liverpool University (which offers an SF MA) and at venues around the country such as Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow during April. Keep an eye out in local bookshops

BLUE MARS Kim Stanley Robinson

25 APRIL H/B £15.99

The author of the award-winning Mythago Wood, Robert Holdstock, is one of Britain's top fantasy writers, having twice won the World Fantasy Award, lack Chatwin's visions are vivid experiences of a world he believes to be in parallel with his own. He encounters an apparently primitive human couple, Greyface and Greenface, who are fleeing a terrible event in their own world, closely pursued by a bizarre enemy. When the glimpses of this strange realm affect Jack, his body shimmers and the distant sounds of the lost world can just be heard, emanating from his skin. But is this the past? The future? When only one of the couple finds the freedom they have hunted for, into Jack's world, he must in turn enter their world, a magical and illusory land, and reunite them. Ancient Echoes combines the enchanting and exotic world of mythology and the magical realism of altered states, and is a mesmerizing, psychological fantasy thriller.

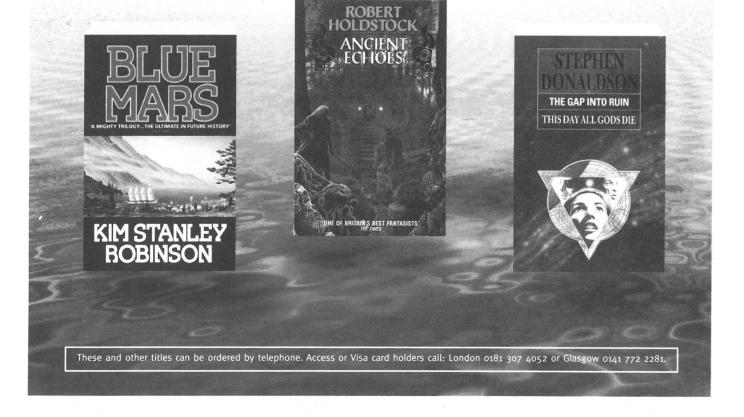
ANCIENT ECHOES Robert Holdstock

9 APRIL H/B £15.99

The Gap – with not a pair of jeans in sight...

Time Out said of the Gap series, As funky, grungy and down-and-dirty as space opera ever gets. This series has me hanging by my thumbs waiting for the next instalment.' Well, take the weight off those thumbs, because the darkly thrilling Gap series reaches its harrowing conclusion in this fifth and final volume. The crew of the Trumpet is in disarray. As they attempt to pursue Soar and her captain, Sorus Chatelaine they lie fallow in space, all their hopes resting with Angus Thermopyle - once a bloodthirsty pirate, and now a cyborg working against his will for the United Mining Companies Police. They're considered the most politically rapacious force in human space and their leaders are caught up in their own potentially disastrous battle for power. This is life in an ever faster lane, with allegiances and agendas feverishly shifting as the options run out...

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'Plenty' to keep you **Entertained**

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Take Back Plenty introduced Tabitha and was the only book ever to win both the Arthur C Clarke and the BSFA awards for best novel of the year. In Seasons of Plenty she sets off on the first human voyage to another star, but amid rumbles of violence and threats of mutiny she soon finds nothing is as it seems.

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ASSASSIN'S APPRENTICE Robin Hobb

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THE MEMORY PALACE Gill Alderman

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